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3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is					
closed in accordance with the practice under E	x parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11, 45	53 O.G. 213.			
Disposition of Claims					
4) ⊠ Claim(s) 1,2,4-7 and 10-14 is/are pending in the 4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdraw 5) ⊠ Claim(s) 1,2 and 4-7 is/are allowed. 6) ⊠ Claim(s) 10,14 is/are rejected. 7) ⊠ Claim(s) 12 and 13 is/are objected to. 8) □ Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/or	vn from consideration.				
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9) The specification is objected to by the Examine		Everniner			
10)⊠ The drawing(s) filed on <u>4/22/05</u> is/are: a)⊠ accepted or b)□ objected to by the Examiner. Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).					
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DETAILED ACTION

The indicated allowability of claims 10 and 14 is withdrawn in view of new interpretation of Kinley '288. Rejections based on the cited reference(s) follow.

Specification

The abstract filed 6/29/07 is accepted by the examiner.

Drawings

The drawings filed 4/22/05 are accepted by the examiner.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

- 1. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:
 - (a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.
- 2. Claims 10 and 14 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kinley 4572288 in view of Anderson 5369579.

Referring to claims 10 and 14, Kinley discloses an apparatus for releasing cable comprising cable cutter (105) is arranged between a cable and a well tool the cutter comprising an electronic timer (29), which control the cable cutter, the timer comprising a receiver (51) fro receiving reset signals and an outlet (E3 to igniter see fig. 4) for control of a cutter control (A, electric igniter see fig. 5) which is connected to the cutter

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(105) and a pickup (53) which generates reset signals. Kinley does not disclose auxiliary inlets. Anderson teaches a cutter control that has auxiliary inlets in order to get formation information before, during and after blast of an explosive charge (col. 3, lines 48-52). As it would be advantageous to have formation information before, during and after blast of an explosive charge, it would be obvious to it would be obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to modify the method disclosed by Kinley to have auxiliary inlets in view of the teachings of Anderson.

Allowable Subject Matter

- 3. Claims 1-2,4-7 are allowed.
- 4. Claims 12-13 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Giovanna M. Collins whose telephone number is 571-272-7027. The examiner can normally be reached on 6:30-3 M-F.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David J. Bagnell can be reached on 571-272-6999. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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